



PROCLAMATION

National Farm-City Week – November 18-24

WHEREAS, American farmers and ranchers literally help feed the world by producing a bounty of agricultural products and to do this, they rely on essential partnerships with urban and suburban communities to supply, sell and deliver finished products across the country and around the globe; and

WHEREAS, rural and urban communities working together have made the most of our nation's rich agricultural resources as they contribute to the health and well being of our country and to the strength of our economy; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the importance of this cooperative network as agriculture employs more than 24 million workers including farmers, ranchers, shippers, processors, marketers, retailers, truck drivers, inspectors and others who annually contribute more than \$1.3 trillion to our gross domestic product; and

WHEREAS, the agricultural industry provides us with food and clothing as well as fuel for our energy needs and as we welcome new opportunities for trade, the hard work and successful cooperation between farmers and city workers will continue to play a vital role in our nation's future; and

WHEREAS, Farm-City collaborations help maintain and improve our food and fiber supply and contribute to a better quality of life for countless citizens. We commend the many Americans whose hard work and ingenuity reflect the true spirit of America and help to ensure a prosperous future for all; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners recognizes the vital farm-city partnerships that have done so much to improve the quality of our lives; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, SUMTER COUNTY, FLORIDA, HEREBY PROCLAIMS THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 18-24, 2012 AS

"NATIONAL FARM-CITY WEEK"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners encourages all citizens in rural and urban areas to acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of all those who, working together, produce and supply our community and nation with an abundance of agricultural products.

DONE AND PROCLAIMED this 23rd day of October 2012, Sumter County Florida

Attest:

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SUMTER COUNTY**

Connie Webb
Deputy Clerk

Gary Breeden
Chairman